

# Products...As-Is...Corporate Information Model (CIM) Report

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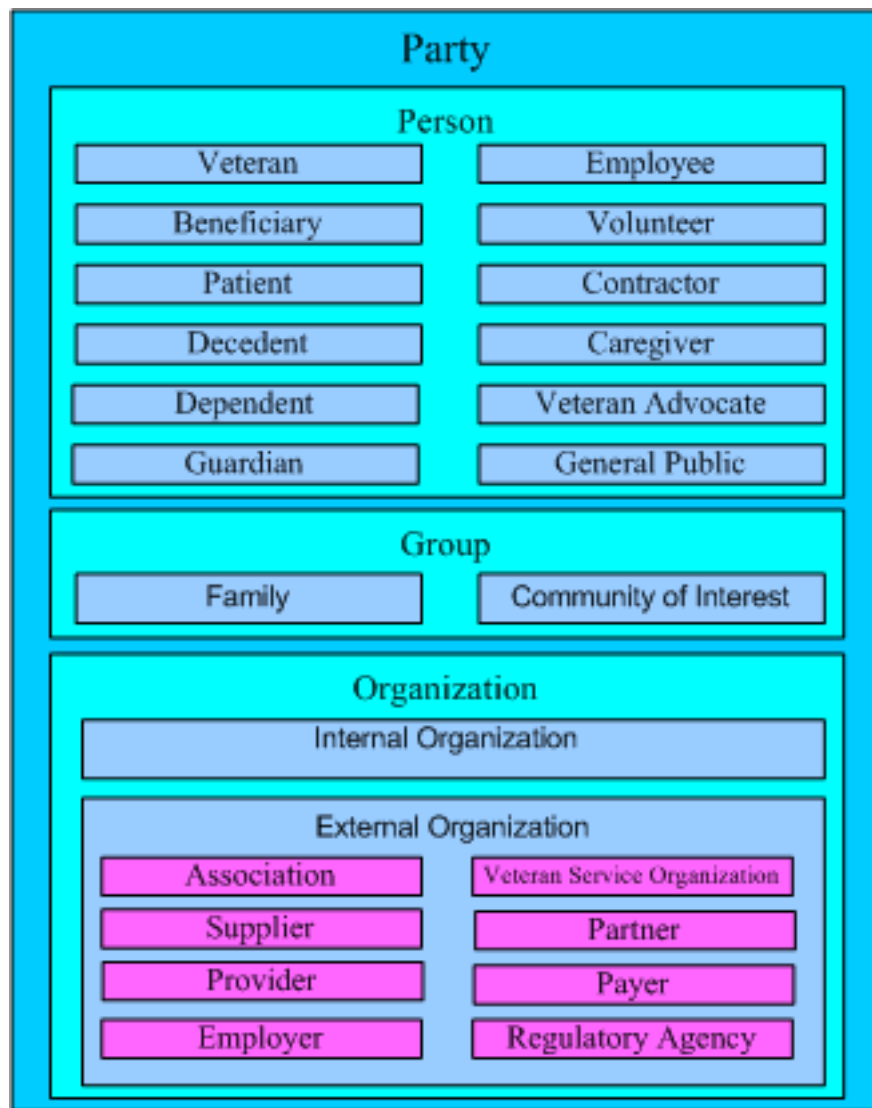
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## **1. Corporate Information Model**

Appendix D of the One-VA Enterprise Architecture (EA) Version 2.1 introduces the Corporate Information Model (CIM). The data classification provided here meets current data architecture requirements. The CIM provides a high-level, wide-ranging, classification of Veterans Affairs (VA) business information needs. It is the beginning of a framework to manage and share information, and to ensure that VA business applications provide required data.

### **1.1. Party**

A party is an individual, organization, or group of interest to VA.



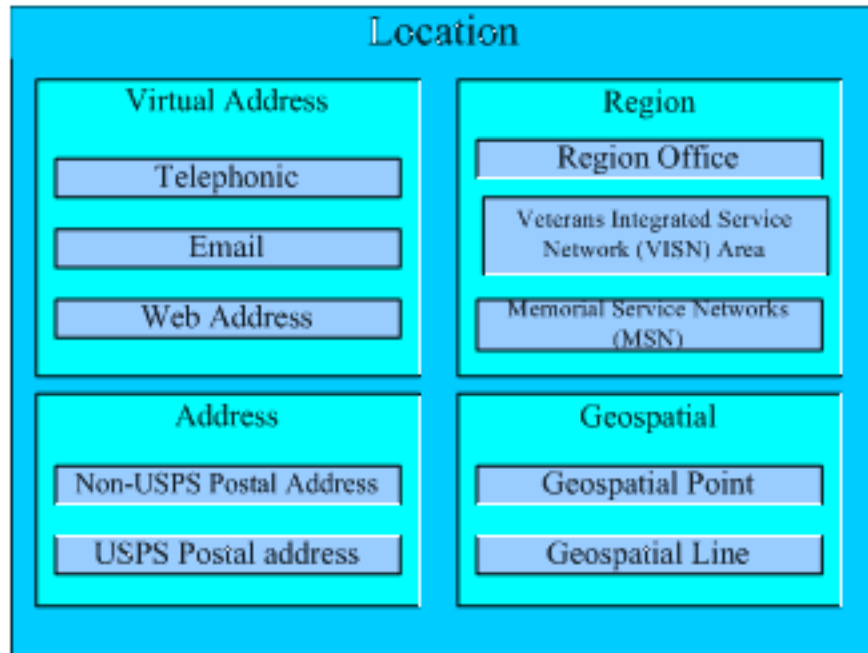
Classification	Specification
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Group		
	Community of Interest	
	Family	
Organization		
	External Organization	
		Association
		Employer
		Partner
		Payer
		Provider
		Regulatory Agency
		Supplier
		Veteran Service Organization
	Internal Organization	

Person	
	Beneficiary
	Caregiver
	Contractor
	Decedent
	Dependent
	Employee
	General Public
	Guardian
	Patient
	Veteran
	Veteran Advocate
	Volunteer

## 1.2. Location

A location consists of data about a point or physical geographical area represented by boundaries. Objects (of interest) such as parties service events, assets, information technology, material, or facilities are associated with locations. Location can be an address, a virtual location (e.g., web-site address), or a geopolitical location.



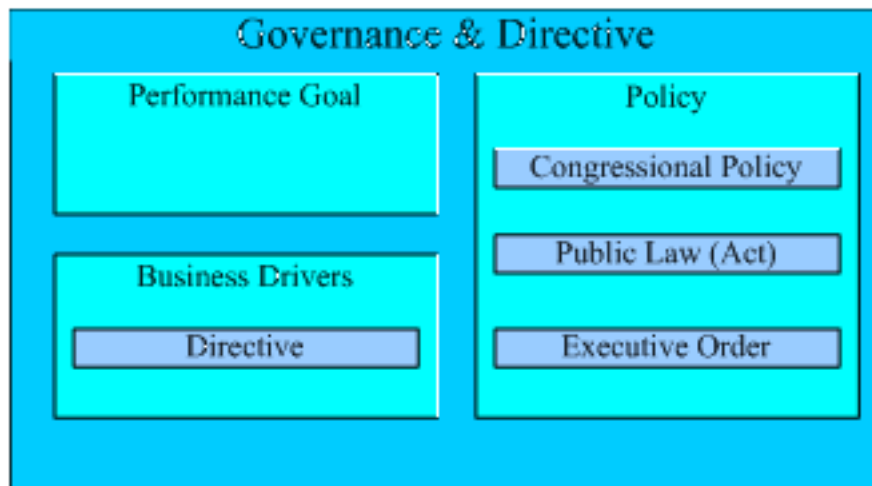
Classification	Specification	Description
Address		An address is a description of the location of a person or organization, as written or printed on mail.
	Non-USPS Postal Address	A non-USPS (United States Postal Office) address describes of the location of a person or organization, written or printed, on mail as directions for delivery outside of the USA.
	USPS Postal Address	A USPS (United States Postal Office) postal address is a geospatial point described by attributes such as post office box, street, city, state, country zip code, latitude/longitude, etc.
Geospatial		A geospatial element has a

		location fixed relative to the earth's surface.
	Geospatial Line	A geospatial line is a one-dimensional geospatial element defined by two or more geospatial points.
	Geospatial Point	A geospatial point is a zero dimensional geospatial element.
Region		A region is a location not attributable simply by an address. This can include political boundaries, regions, and physical areas of interest. Examples are VISN9, NE region, countries, or states.
	Memorial Service Networks (MSN)	An MSN consists of memorial service sites of the National Cemetery Administration for a specific region in the U.S.
	Region Office	A region office is associated with a VBA region. The office of Veteran Benefit Administration divided the US into four (4) specific regions: eastern, western, central, and southern.
	Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN) Area	A VISN area is a specific region of the US as specified by the Veteran Health Administration.

Virtual Address		A virtual address is an electronic communication address; also referred to as a contact point. Examples include telephone number, email address, and the universal resource locator (URL).
	Email	Email is a virtual address used to send electronic mail (email) to an individual or organization, for example, abc@mail.com.
	Telephonic	A telephonic is an electronic address that supports communication with a person via a telephonic device.
	Web Address	A web address is the location or URL of a website, file, or resource on the Internet, for example, <a href="http://www.free-webhosts.com/">http://www.free-webhosts.com/</a> is a web address.

### 1.3. Governance and Directive

Governance and directive information concerns the structure of intent to monitor, control, regulate, plan, and guide VA.



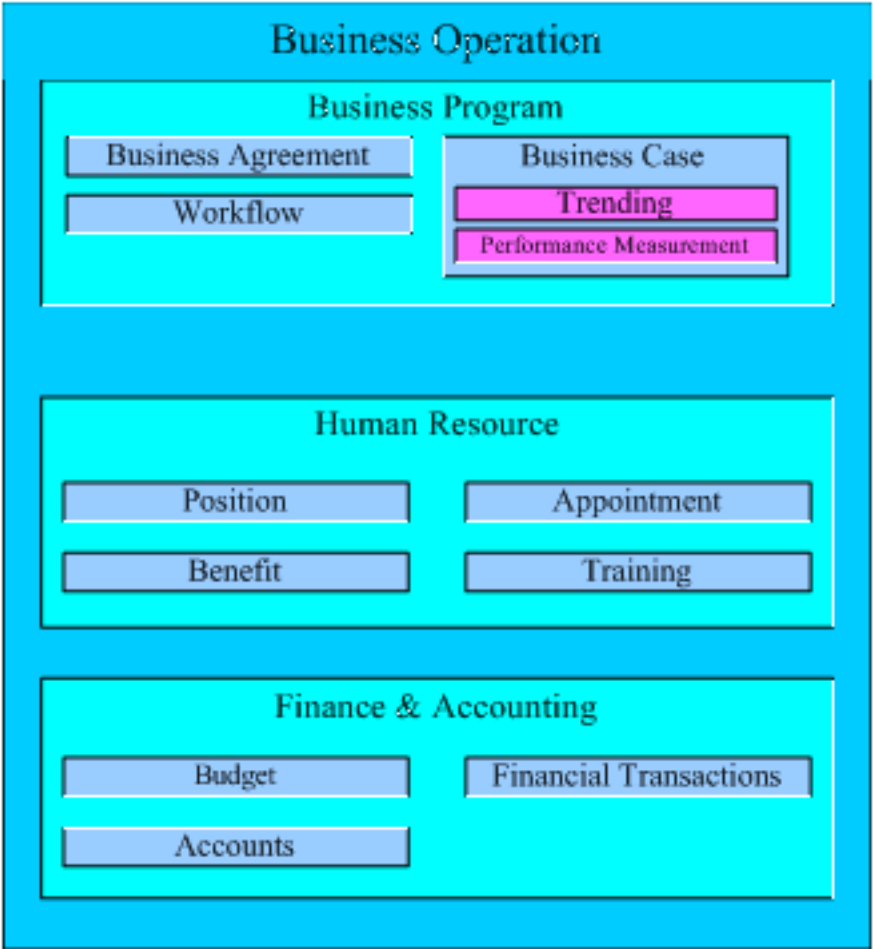


Classification	Specification	Description
Business Drivers		A business driver is an internal or external factor that serves as a change agent.
	Directive	A directive is a written instruction communicating policy and/or procedure in the form of orders, regulations, bulletins, circulars, handbooks, manuals, notices, numbered memorandums, and similar issuances.
Performance Goal		A level or target against which the performance of a stakeholder will be measured relative to expected outcomes. This includes the concepts of performance indicator, benchmark, and standard (such as GPRA, HEDIS).
Policy		Policy consists of laws, regulations, and VA policies, including those that specify eligibility criteria.
	Congressional Policy	Congressional decisions establish congressional policy.
	Executive Order	An executive order is a regulation issued by the President of the United States or the chief executive of a state that has the effect of law.
	Public Law (Act)	Public law is law affecting the public, for example an act of congress.

## 1.4. Business Operation

Business operation information is required to establish and manage enterprise corporate goals

and objectives through the delivery of products and service.

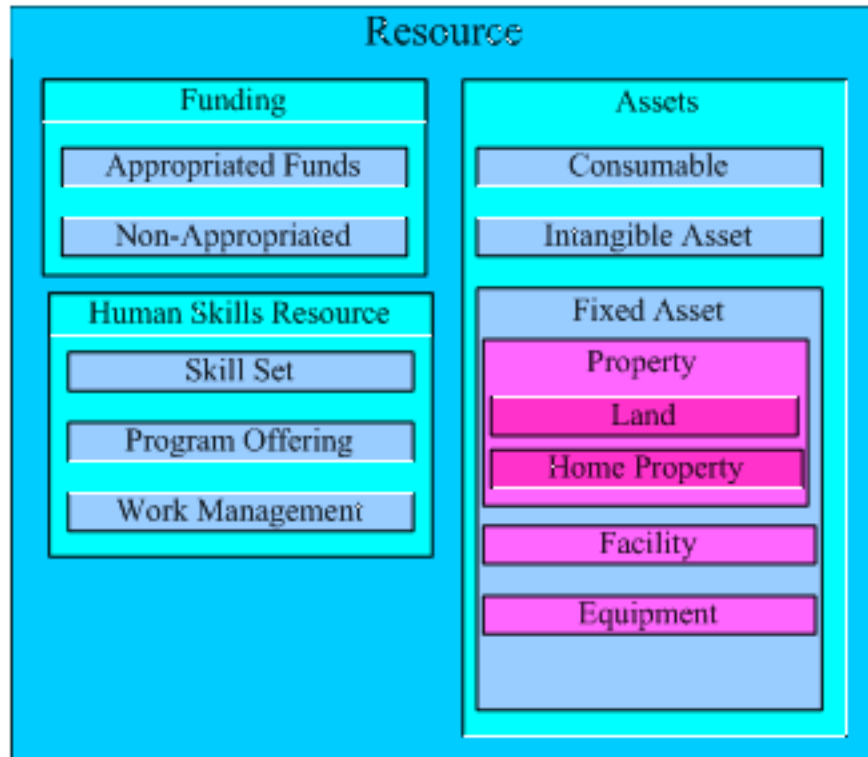


Classification	Specification
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Business Program		
	Business Agreement	
	Business Case	
		Performance Measurement
		Trending
	Workflow	
Finance & Accounting		
	Accounts	
	Budget	
	Financial Transactions	
Human Resource		
	Appointment	
	Benefit	
	Position	
	Training	

## 1.5. Resource

A resource is a collection of information about tangible items of interest to VA, such as buildings, reusable and consumable items, and people.



### 1.5.1. Asset

An asset is an item class that includes real property and capitalized/accountable/expensed equipment.

Specification
Consumable

Fixed Asset		
	Equipment	
	Facility	
	Property	
		Home Property
Land		
Intangible Asset		

### 1.5.2. Funding

Funding is the existence of financial funds to undertake business and service activities.

Specification	Description
Appropriated Funds	Appropriated funds consist of federal funding set apart for a specific use.
Non-Appropriated	Non-appropriated funds do not consist of directly federal funding, or are not set apart for a specific use.

### 1.5.3. Human Skills Resource

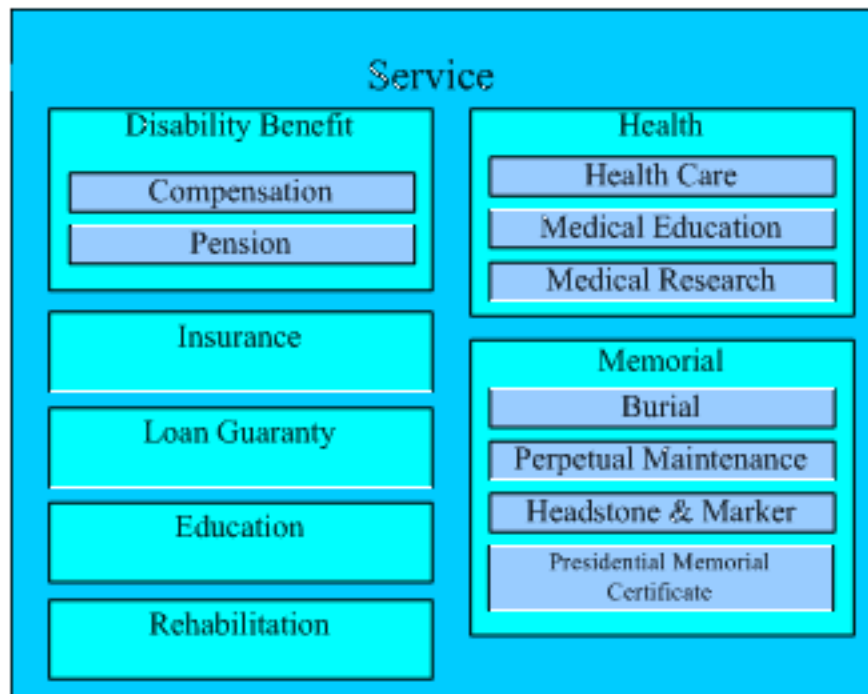
A human skills resource is an instance of people with capacity and availability as resources to provide Veterans health related-services. Human skills resource represents the instances of specialist service providers, nurses etc., but can also accommodate voluntary caregivers and the potential to provide services; e.g., a spouse who could care for a partner who became ill. The idea of skills, position histories, attendance records, performance plans, and compensation are included in this concept. Human resource presents the view of the organization or employer as compared with the view of the person in their role as a specialist service provider, nurse etc.

Specification	Description
Program Offering	A program offering consists of the specific programs in place to help and empower the employee in the

	performance of their duties for VA.
Skill Set	A skill set is a collection of available personnel skills for use in VA.
Work Management	Work management employs work controls and mechanisms in place for effective deployment, use, and oversight of employees.

## 1.6. Service

Always a good or service provided as a public service, subject to government regulation. In VA, a service is for the veteran and under a specific VA line of business.



Classification	Specification	Description
Disability Benefit		A disability benefit is a monetary compensation or pension benefit

		provided to a veteran.
	Compensation	The mission of the Disability Compensation program is to provide monthly payments to veterans in recognition of the effects of disabilities, diseases, or injuries incurred or aggravated during active military service, and to provide access to other VA benefits.
	Pension	The purpose of the pension program is to provide monthly payments to needy wartime veterans who are permanently and totally disabled because of disability not related to military service.
Education		The Educational Assistance Program (EAP) honors and rewards veterans, service members, reservists, survivors, and eligible dependents for sacrifices made in military service to the United States by assisting them in achieving their educational or vocational goals. This mission provides financial assistance, generally in the form of monthly benefit payments, as mandated in Title 38 USC.
Health		The health mission of the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) is established by U.S.C Title 38 § 7301, “to provide a complete medical and hospital service for the medical care and treatment of veterans”. VHA serves the health care needs of America’s veterans through a comprehensive, integrated health care system providing primary care, specialized care, and related

		medical and social support services offering excellence in health care value, excellence in service as defined by its customers, and excellence in education and research.
	Health Care	The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) health care services provide a broad spectrum of medical, surgical, and rehabilitative care to its customers.
	Medical Education	The medical education service provides veteran medical information, including health promotion and disease prevention strategies, the Vet Health Survey, research, and a list of special initiatives.
	Medical Research	VA conducts medical research to aid the body of knowledge in the field of medicine. There are two general categories: (1) New treatments tested in clinical trials and (2) all other research contributing to the development of new treatments. For example, as a service to health care providers, veterans can obtain current information on hepatitis C virus (HCV) infection.
Insurance		Insurance programs provide insurance benefits for veterans and service members who may not be able to obtain insurance from private companies because of the extra risks involved in military service or a service connected disability.
Loan Guaranty		Loan guaranty helps veterans and active duty personnel purchase and



		retain homes in recognition of their service to the Nation. The main purpose of the VA home loan guaranty program is to help veterans finance the purchase of homes with favorable loan terms and at a rate of interest that is competitive with the rate charged on other type of mortgage loans.
Memorial		A memorial is an object or an even provided as a memory of a person (who has died).
	Burial	The burial of a veteran or eligible family member in a VA-owned or managed national cemetery or soldiers' lot within a private cemetery. Interment may be in ground or in a columbaria structure.
	Headstone & Marker	A headstone or marker is a permanent memorial to mark the burial location or memory of an eligible veteran or his/her eligible family member in a national cemetery or the grave of any deceased eligible veteran in any cemetery around the world.
	Perpetual Maintenance	The perpetual maintenance service maintains and forever protects veteran cemeteries. It also ensures that the appearance of the cemetery is exemplary.
	Presidential Memorial Certificate	A presidential memorial certificate is signed by the sitting President of the United States, and presented to family or next of kin in recognition of a veteran's honorable service.
Rehabilitation		Rehabilitation strives to restore

		<p>veterans to good health or useful life, as through therapy and education. The Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&amp;E) Service provides benefits and assistance to eligible service-connected disabled veterans to help them obtain and maintain suitable employment or independence in daily living. The VR&amp;E Service mission is accomplished by providing a range of direct and supportive services. These services include: (1) comprehensive evaluation of rehabilitation needs (vocational or independent living), (2) training and employment services to obtain/maintain suitable employment, and (3) independent living services (to include training and specialized equipment) to attain independence in activities of daily living.</p>
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